



Sunday 25th May 2025
Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Communion
4.00pm	Faith @4 in the Centre
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

At St Hugh's

11.00am Parish Communion

Thought for this week

Jesus' disciples must often have been puzzled by his teaching and perhaps also reluctant to accept what it entailed. In John's Gospel particularly Jesus speaks in sometimes abstract and enigmatic ways which the disciples don't always understand.

In today's Gospel reading the disciples are presented with the stark message that Jesus will not be physically present with them for much longer and that must have been disconcerting news – despite the fact that Jesus had said a great deal about his impending death. Jesus will no longer be present in the flesh but the disciples are promised his continuing presence in the form of the Holy Spirit who will actually be inside each of them and will “teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you”.

In his earthly life Jesus could only be in one place at a time but through the Spirit he is present to everyone at all times. The disciples would be aware of the action of God's Spirit through the stories of the Old Testament and the inspired individuals called to carry out God's mission in the world. In the reading from Acts today we find the example of Paul inspired by a vision to carry out his mission in a way different from what he had envisaged but the prompting of the Spirit may not always come through visions but through quite ordinary daily events and encounters.

Ruth Birnie

Bible Readings and Hymns This Week:

New Testament: Acts 16:9-15

New Testament: Revelation 21:10. 22 - 22.5

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Hymns:

Processional Brown 15 And can it be, that I should gain

Gradual Green 64 Be thou my guardian and guide

Offertory Green 124 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

Communion Green 353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Recessional Green 137 Come down, O love divine

Anthem Give Laud unto the Lord - Langdon

Please stay for tea and coffee after the 9.30am Parish Communion Service, in the All Saints Centre, adjacent to the Church.

Presiding this week:

8.00am Holy Communion

Presiding Revd Ruth Birnie

Preaching Revd Ruth Birnie

9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding Revd Dr Miriam Jones

Preaching Revd Ruth Birnie

6.30am Choral Evensong

Psalm: 126; 127 **Hymns** 415, 433, 427

A warm welcome to you if you are a newcomer. Please complete a green Contact Card and place it in the box provided, or hand it to one of the clergy or churchwardens.

Children in Church. Children are always very welcome in church, and there is a dedicated Children's Corner at the back, with activities available for them to use there or take back to their pews.

Have you problems with mobility? Please let a steward know if you need assistance going up for communion, or would like communion to be brought to you.

Hard of hearing? If you use a hearing aid, please switch it to the 'T' position to use our loop system.

To gain access to the All Saints YouTube channel please go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsgosforth6306/streams>

Prayer and Worship

Sunday: Services at 8.00am, 9.30am and 6.30pm

Tuesday – Thursday: 8.45am Morning Prayer in Church. Enter by South Porch

Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in Church

Notices

As many of you heard at the Annual Meeting, we are urgently seeking a Treasurer to work with our finance team. Ideally, this person would have some familiarity with QuickBooks. Over the past week, I've approached numerous people outside our church community for assistance, but unfortunately without success. If you know someone - a relative, neighbour, or colleague - with accounting experience who might be willing to help us, I would be very pleased to speak with them. *Andrew*

Choral Evensong is this evening at 6.30pm.

Faith @4 is this afternoon at 4.00pm in the Centre.

Farmers' Market May 17

A BIG thankyou to Paul Wilkinson, Andrew Cole, and Charlie Mussett prior to the Market for erecting the banners, streetlamp posters and planning/marketing the pitches; thank you to the donors and the team for manning the impressive garden stall (in the end raising £150.50 of the total amount approx.) £650 pre addition of electronic payments and Gift Aid; Also to the Kitchenware stall team (£77) and finally to Ros Place for engaging the performers. There were just 20 stalls (fewer than usual) plus the Hot Snack Van and the Daft as a Brush Ambulance (Charity of the day).

On the day from 07:30 to 13:00 it was surprisingly cold. The market footfall was steady rather than busy and yet the traders did well. After 13 markets, it's apparently impossible to try to predict the weather, the attendance or the spend. There are always new shoppers and now, it's notable that people like our core products and return for specific items. Good to hear, and it's even more pleasing to observe how many inquisitive visitors are paying attention to the church. If you'd like to help in September, please speak to the organisers about how you can do so without even leaving home. Thank you for reading!

Diana Lavin, Marian Cave

Keeping in Touch. The Spring edition of the magazine is ready for distribution at the back of the church. It can be also viewed online at <https://www.allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/keeping-in-touch-spring-2025-edition/>

To submit an article of no more than 400-500 words please email Dana.corso@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk.

There is no Coffee and Conversation on Monday 26th of May. We return on Monday 2nd of June.

Ascension Day is this Thursday 29th May. The Service will be at 7.30pm.

Join Us Next Sunday for a Special 9.30am Family Communion

Next Sunday, we'll be celebrating **Volunteering** at a Family Communion service. Come and enjoy a mix of **familiar hymns and songs**, along with a few refreshing surprises!

It promises to be a meaningful and uplifting service focusing on what is done to maintain our ministry and mission and the opportunities to do more.

Our next **Fellowship Lunch** is on **Sunday 1st June** at 12.00 in the Church Centre. If you would otherwise be dining alone, please do come and join us for a light lunch and some good company. You would be most welcome and we look forward to seeing you. *Pauline Gallacher*

Film Group 6th June in the Upper Room, All Saints Centre, from 6.30pm if you are bringing food. Film at 7.15pm. A Hollywood musical with surprising racist undertones which were completely unnoticed first time around by yours truly.

St Nicholas Church, Gosforth are holding a night of great music in aid of Cancer Research UK on Friday 13th June at 7.00pm. Tickets are £5 and are available on the night at the door or online <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/after-evensong-jazz-blues-and-pop13-june-2025>

There is a 'Pray For Peace' Christians and Muslims Event- arranged by the Diocese of Newcastle and Hexham on Saturday 14th June at 2.30pm. This is an event for women and children - men wishing to accompany their families are welcome. It will be in Mary's Chapel, situated towards the Jesmond Dene end of Reid Park Road. Readings about Mary from the Bible and the Qu'ran will be shared along with hymns and prayers for peace. Folding chairs are provided but you may wish to bring your own. Afterwards, vegetarian refreshments will be provided at Holy Name Roman Catholic Church Parish Hall, Towers Avenue.

SING at the **Centre**

May 27, taking a half-term break but please look at our poster for a 'Singalong' Reminiscence Event in the Centre on June 24th. More details to follow next week. Thank you!

Diana Lavin

Save the Date! A Farewell Bring & Share Brunch for Miriam Sun 29th June 10.40. Please bring items ready to serve for a Finger Buffet to All Saints Centre before the 9.30 service! *Please let the Social Events Group know what you'll be bringing and there are lists on yellow paper! Thank you!*

Save the date for a meal out in Gosforth! Pam Taylor has booked Basilico on Gosforth High Street for Friday 11th July, 6.00 pm. More details soon, but please let Pam know if you would like to come. *Social & Events Committee*

Trip to People's Theatre: I have reserved 20 seats for Thursday 17th July to see *Waiting for God*, based on the BAFTA -nominated BBC comedy starring Stephanie Cole and Graham Crowden, which I'm told is very funny! If you would like to go please could you get in touch with me or another Social & Events Committee member. anncross060@gmail.com

There will be a Confirmation Service on Sunday 16th November led by the Bishop of Berwick at All Saints. This is an opportunity to take faith to the next level and recommit your life to God through Confirmation. There will be a course concluding with the Confirmation Service. If this is of interest to you, please contact Andrew, Miriam or Ruth. A Candidate has already come forward.

All Saints has received a bronze award for the work we are doing supporting and caring for our environment, overseen by an "Eco" sub group of the PCC. As part of developing this work we have written a vision statement and would welcome any feedback - good, bad or how you think it could be improved!



"All Saints and its congregation cares about all the resources on God's earth and collectively looks at ways of working together to protect our environment".

Please send any comments / feedback to felicity.shoesmith@icloud.com

If you have ideas on things we could be doing to help meet this vision please join us on the first Sunday of each month at Parish Breakfast. Felicity Shoesmith / Ann Cross.

Mission of the Month for May US Active

A North-East charity providing support and opportunities for young people with, or at risk of developing mental illness, to help them identify and achieve personal goals.

News from St Hugh's – Revd Dr Miriam Jones is leading worship today.

Weekly Small Group Events

Coffee and Conversation returns on Monday 2nd of June in the Centre from 10.30am – 11.30am.

Little Saints Pre-School Children and Parents/Carers Group returns on Tuesday 3rd of June 1.00 – 2.30pm.

SING at the Centre is back on Tuesday 3rd of June from 2:30 in the Upper Room for refreshments, to start at 2:50 - 4.00. Thank you. *Diana Lavin*.

Sew, Knit and Natter. This friendly group of knitters, ranging from the totally inexperienced to the very skilled, meets each Wednesday morning from 10-12 in the upper room of the Centre. There is plenty of knitting and nattering, with coffee and biscuits always provided. All are welcome. If you would like to know any more about the group, do ring me on 07474040267, or you can just turn up and see what we do. *Diane Henderson*.

Donations



We now have a number of ways to donate to All Saints online:
By QR code. Simply hold your mobile phone camera over the code, follow the link to your browser and follow on-screen instructions

Or go to:

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/8ecfe5b6-18c7-4179-aba0-2ebc43a82f7b>

Contact us

Vicar of All Saints and Priest in Charge of St Hugh's Rest Day: Saturday	Andrew Shipton	284 5540	andrew.shipton@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Assistant Curate to All Saints and St Hugh's Rest Day: Friday	Miriam Jones	07474095190	miriam.jones@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Assistant Priest Not available on Wednesdays	Ruth Birnie	284 1393	ruth.birnie@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Director of Music	John Lewis	07981 156751	jonnyonthekeyboards@gmail.com
Churchwarden	Joyce Jennings	07904415316	
Churchwarden	Dana Corso	07909 456577	Dana.corso@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Treasurer	Contact the Parish Office		
Safeguarding Officer	Kath Davies	07880 618911	kath.davies@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Parish Administrator	Louise Waugh	0191 213 0450	post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

songs Bible story activities

Faith@4
Sunday
25 May
4-5pm

Stories of Jesus: The Two Houses

stay for snack time!

All Saints Centre

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from just a single item to your weekly Tesco shop, your annual holiday or house and car insurance – you could be raising free donations for All Saints with easyfundraising and it won't cost you a penny extra! With over 8,000 retailers on board ready to donate – including eBay, Tesco, Argos, John Lewis & Partners, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S.

All you need to do is:

1. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/all-saints-church-gosforth and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will donate to All Saints Church Gosforth at no extra cost to you whatsoever! There are no catches or hidden charges and All Saints will be most grateful for your donations and your support.

Please think about it and try it out. Thank you!

This month only, every Tesco shop could help us win £1000! You can give All Saints Church Gosforth a chance of winning by shopping with Tesco by Saturday 31st May.



Turn your daily shopping into everyday magic for us with easyfundraising

You shop, brands donate to us. It won't cost you any extra!



easyfundraising

Help us make a difference when you shop.
Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk



1

Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk

2

Sign up and search for us

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/all-saints-church-gosforth>

3

Your favourite brands donate to us whenever you shop with them

Shop with 8,000+ brands including:

Booking.com



M&S



JOHN
LEWIS



viking

ASOS



Uber Eats

TUESDAY JUNE 24



SINGALONG A MUSICAL MEMORY REFLECTION EVENT

**THE CENTRE AT ALL
SAINTS**

**DOORS OPEN 2:45
REFRESHMENTS**



THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

In National Volunteers' Week we celebrate those who volunteer in many ways – in church, the community, or further afield. We're saying a great big 'thank you' to all your acts of kindness that make the world a better place.

Come to our
Family Communion^{1st}
service, Sunday 1st
June, 9.30am

All Saints Church, West Ave, Gosforth
post @ allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

